

IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES,

DECEMBER 7, 1820.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee of Claims, to whom was referred
the petition of John Holmes, of Alabama,

REPORTED:

That the claim of the petitioner is for a horse, killed in the battle of Emuckfaw, with the Creek Indians, on the 22d January, 1814, in which battle the petitioner was a private mounted gunman in Gen. Coffee's brigade; that the nature of the claim, and the testimony in support of it, would have brought it within the provisions of what is usually called the Claims Law, had it been presented in time; but, owing to the want of correct information on the subject, as the petitioner alleges, his application was deferred until that law had expired. As the claim of the petitioner appears just, according to the principles heretofore acted on by Congress, and as this justice can now be obtained in no other place or manner, the committee recommend the passage of a law authorizing the payment of the claim, and report a bill accordingly.

